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Vision

“As a college student you are uniquely positioned to play a vital role in fulfilling the Great Commission in this generation. That is why Cru is active and growing at Ohio University. Imagine a day when you walk into a room of 600 students and faculty that are all connected to the Cru movement. You, your friends and your professors are experiencing a dynamic, growing love for Christ and the gospel. God is using you to bring others to Christ, to be built up in their new faith and be sent out with you to reach others for Christ. God is growing you in your depth of character and He is using you to have a broad influence on the campus. Depth is seen as you develop a high view of God and his word, as you gather to pray with your friends and as you participate in life on life discipleship. Influence is broad as you and your friends are taking the gospel to every community at Ohio University. Each year 75-100 students are graduating with a strong sense of God’s calling on their lives. You carry with you more than a degree; you are leaving OU with the passion and ability to make disciples and take the message of Christ to the ends of the earth. We believe the Lord can use you to change the world.”



Sarah and me, showing off our painted nails together.

I [Emily] read this part of our “OU Cru Vision Statement” aloud as Sarah (one of my current leaders) and Kaylee (a freshmen we recently asked to lead with Cru) sat across from me. After, I turned to Kaylee and asked her what most excited her about the vision. As she paused to think, Sarah suddenly interrupted.

“All of the things this talks about, that’s happened for me! I’ve definitely grown in my depth of character, and in my influence on campus. It’s like exactly what we do every single week, and you *will* grow. I’ve grown so much. I’m not just the person who is peppy and positive and a good friend anymore, and has to hope that people will notice that I’m different. I actually know how to have a spiritual influence on people and talk about my faith. I’ve gotten to see God use me in my friends’ and classmates’ lives. **It’s not just something we say. It’s what we do every week.**”

Tears filled my eyes as Sarah spoke. That week (ok, the whole month) had been incredibly discouraging for me. I had just that morning sat in prayer, asking the Lord if I was truly the right person for the work I was doing at OU. I felt so ineffective and inadequate. I was wondering if I had made things worse, not better. But Sarah’s words reminded me that the Lord is at work. Through your partnership and prayer, students are coming to know Christ and being shaped into life-long laborers for the glory of the Lord. Despite the myriad of disappointments and failures that ministry and life can bring our way, it is encouraging to know that the Lord is moving in big ways. We are so grateful to get to be a part of it!

‘Til the Whole World Knows,

Clay + Emily

Prayer + Praise

- Please pray for Kaylee, as she heads out on a Summer Mission to Slovenia this summer. Pray that, like Sarah, she’d be shaped by the vision!
- Please pray for Sarah, and all of our student leaders. Pray for summers filled with spiritual growth.
- Pray for Emily & Baby Selway and a continued healthy pregnancy. The baby is due to arrive any day now. Please pray for a healthy, uncomplicated labor and delivery and a healthy baby and mom.

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